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VINITA, IND. TER., JAN. 5, 1899

Local Railroad Time Tables.

MISSOURI, KANSAS & TEXAS.

GONZO SOUTH.

No. 1, M. K. & T. Express	4:12 a. m.
No. 2, Missouri, K. & T. Ex.	10:25 a. m.
No. 3, Freight and Accommodation	1:45 p. m.

GONZO NORTH.

No. 1, M. K. & T. Express	9:51 a. m.
No. 2, Missouri, K. & T. Ex.	3:45 p. m.
No. 3, Freight and Accommodation	12:47 p. m.
No. 4, Freight and Accommodation	11:41 a. m.

T. LOUIS & SAN FRANCISCO RAILWAY.

Train 202 west mail	9:51 a. m.
Train 203 east mail	3:45 p. m.
Train 204 west local	12:47 p. m.
Train 205 east local	11:41 a. m.

LOCAL NOTES.

Dr. Fortner went to Muskogee last night.

Two years and we will be in another century.

Judge Denison was in Coffeyville last Sunday.

Dr. H. Wilson came down on last night's train.

J. N. Chittwood was in from White Oak Tuesday.

O. D. Strother, druggist, of Afton, was in town Monday.

John Anderson is about to buy a fine farm near Caney.

G. W. Miller went to Chelsea this week to look up insurance.

Mrs. Ralph Haywood, of Chetopa, is visiting Mrs. S. J. Burns.

Judge Springer will preside at the next term of court at Vinita.

Miss Ethel McAlister has been quite sick the past week with grip.

W. R. Fortner and Dr. Tiley came up from Pryor Creek yesterday.

Mrs. W. B. Barnes returned from a week's visit at Afton yesterday.

Miss Patten returned from South McAlester Saturday night.

A parson mule buyer is here trying to buy a car of mules to ship south.

Felix Russell, a barber, was shot and killed at Stillwell Christmas day.

Willie Haisell college opened Monday morning with a large attendance.

Col. Pat Henry, of Chelsea, was in town Tuesday in the capacity of a witness.

Mr. T. F. Thompson left yesterday for Tahlequah, to be gone a few days.

H. C. Miller and Emmett Rea came up last night, after a business trip to the south.

August Schleicher left Monday evening for a visit at Cape Girardeau and St. Louis.

Marriage license have been issued to D. F. Gish and Miss Lulu Reed, of Zena, I. T.

J. L. Wimer, a brother of T. T. Wimer, of this city, is here visiting his brother.

Miss Emma Masterson returned Sunday from a week's visit at New Haven, Mo.

Miss Jessie Stephens returned yesterday from Nowata, where she has been teaching.

Fred Scherbel is back in Vinita after spending a few days with friends in Pelee City.

J. H. Clawson, editor of the Chelsea Reporter, came up Monday, returning next morning.

Two weeks from Monday and the winter term of United States court opens in Vinita.

Frank Conner and Ott Smith of Fairland, came down on the train Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Chesney left yesterday morning after a visit of ten days with her daughter, Mrs. Milford.

Miss Belle Butler, of Miami, sister of Postmaster Joe H. Butler, is visiting Miss Emma Masterson.

Miss Mary Jones, who has been visiting the Misses Byrd, returned to her home in Neosho last evening.

The latest report from the commission at Muskogee is that the prospect for a final agreement is good.

J. Howard Langley came up from Pryor Creek yesterday on business with the commissioner's court.

Elder Coppedge came up from Claremore Monday where he had been holding quarterly conference.

Another large number of territory prisoners were sent to Fort Leavenworth from Ardmore Monday.

Mrs. Harry E. Don-Carlos returned from a visit with relatives at Nashville, Tennessee, Monday morning.

Mr. A. B. James and Miss Lucinda Miller, of Fairland, were married Monday at the Methodist parsonage.

Hon. T. B. Needles, of the Dawes commission, has gone home to Nashville, Illinois, to spend a few days.

Druggist J. M. Morrow and Dr. Kennedy, of Tulsa, were in town yesterday morning, enroute from Muskogee.

Mike Gabbert and wife returned yesterday from a visit with the gentleman's relatives in Missouri.

Charlie Piper, of the firm of Piper & Son, of Labette, Kan., is in Vinita buying horses and mules yesterday.

Miss Fannie Hunt has gone to Claremore to be present at the wedding of Miss Lulu Foreman and John Lipe.

Mrs. W. J. Hudson, sister of Mrs. John Byrd, has returned to her home at Neosho, after a pleasant visit of two weeks.

An interesting series of meetings are in progress nightly at the Presbyterian church; the public is invited to attend.

The Odd Fellows have a special dispensation for initiating members at a reduced rate and is enjoying a good growth.

Willie Haisell College Notes.

Quite a number of new pupils were enrolled Tuesday morning.

Jessie Scott returned from a visit to Missouri during the holidays.

Mrs. Shearer has been employed as teacher in the college for the spring term.

Miss Blumie Byrd of Fairland, spent Monday with Miss Fortner at the college.

Miss Della Gordon and Bessie Morris returned from Nowata to attend the college.

The college will furnish a conveyance for the children coming to and from school, on the same terms as the other schools have done.

Joe Stephens of Coody's Bluff, returned this week and he has two other friends who will be here in a few days to attend the college.

Kindness Unexplained.

When asked this week what was his judgment on the past year's work of his church, Bro. Butler said that there had unmistakably been gains along all lines. But he said something else: He said that if the people of Vinita were as religious as they were kind, the place would be a paradise. During his ministerial work the gentleman said that himself and family had always been treated well wherever stationed, and had never had reason for complaint. The kindness, however, showered upon them since coming to Vinita was at times overwhelming—they had never known anything similar and could not find words to express their gratitude.

City Council Meeting.

The city council met Monday night in regular session. The committee on light and water asked for further time which was granted.

Deputy Marshal Joe Knight presented a bill for \$16, for the killing of 32 dogs; claim allowed.

Accounts for street work, etc., presented and allowed.

Robt. I. Blakey was elected city assessor and entered upon his duties Tuesday.

A board of equalization was elected consisting of W. G. Neims, R. D. Knight and A. N. Green. This board will have till the 20th instant to complete their labors.

O. E. S. Reception.

The ladies of the Eastern Star held a reception Sunday afternoon in the parlor adjoining the Masonic hall, from two to five o'clock. It was somewhat informal in character—more of a family affair—and passed off very quietly. Most of the Masons or their families called during the evening and drank a cup of chocolate or partook of refreshment. The "ladies" were drawn by a ribbon from bowls of brain, and consisted of pin, trays, stick pins and other similar knick-knacks.

Marriage License Returned.

There are many curious and some quite ludicrous things happening around the clerk's office. It not infrequently happens that some luckless swain is forced to return a marriage license, which is generally accompanied by a plaintive letter setting forth various excuses why the ceremony had not taken place. In the course of a few years a large number of such licenses are returned and died away.

Business College Closed.

Some commotion was caused Monday morning when it became known that the Business college had been sold out to Prof. W. A. Caldwell, of Worcester academy, and the doors of the institution closed. Prof. Daily, of the Business college, goes with the school and takes a place in the faculty of Worcester, similar to the one he occupied in the first named institution.

From the Tax Law.

Sec. 5671 Mansfield's Digest Laws of Arkansas for the year 1884: If any such taxpayer shall wilfully neglect or refuse to deliver such list on oath to the assessor, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined in any sum not to exceed one hundred dollars and be confined in the county jail for a period not to exceed three months, or either.

Odd Fellows Election.

The Odd Fellows held their semi-annual election at their hall Monday night which resulted as follows: F. G. Cowan, N. G.; Charles Martin, V. G.; Giles M. Halton, P. Sec.; J. R. Harris, R. Sec.; W. R. Barnes, I. Sup.; W. C. McGary, L. Sup.; D. M. Webb, R. Sup.; V. G. McCullough, L. Sup.; G. J. A. Carl, L. S. G.; J. T. Brackett, Chaplain.

Denied by the Lady.

The story printed Saturday (not in three columns) that John Moore had been married to Carrie Mayes on his return from the army, seems to have been untrue. The lady came up Monday, accompanied by her sister, Miss Pickie Mayes, and proceeded to correct the statement.

Jumped Two Stories.

John Badgett, a brother of W. R. Badgett, and who comes here frequently in the interest of a pickle house, was caught in a boarding house fire at St. Louis Friday and escaped by jumping from a second story window. He was severely bruised up but it was thought would be all right in a week.

Met at Kansas City.

There was quite a gathering, by accident, of Indian Territory officials at one of the hotels in Kansas City Friday—Commissioner Jackson and wife and Marshal Bennett, of Muskogee, and P. L. Soper and wife, of this city.

Needmore No More.

The store at Needmore, owned by Magna Daniels, Jr., burned with its contents, including the postoffice, Monday night. The proprietor had gone to church and it is unknown how the fire started.

An incident of the big teachers' convention last week at South McAlester it is said was the absence of Indian teachers, not a single representative of the race being present.

Bob French, of Tahlequah, brother-in-law to T. F. and J. A. Thompson of this place, is very low. He has been sick for quite a while. Last Wednesday he seemed a little better and made his will.

DIED BY VIOLENCE.

Arthur H. Cook's Lifeless Body Found Sunday Morning.

The dead body of Arthur Cook was found Sunday in the outskirts of Boise City, Idaho. This intelligence was conveyed to the distressed family by a telegram to Mrs. H. C. Cook, the mother, received about nine or ten o'clock, and signed by Mont Oliver. The particulars were very meagre, but there was an intimation of suicide. Instructions were at once sent to embalmer the remains and forward to Oswego, Kansas, for interment beside the father, H. C. Cook, who died last June.

The young man left Vinita a few months since and went to Chicago, where for a time he was employed by the Armour Packing Co. in their offices. As this work did not agree with him he went back about a month ago to Idaho, where he had previously been employed in a mine or by a mining company.

Deceased had been in poor health for a year or two and failed to pass the surgeons' examination last spring when he enlisted with the Rough Riders. His rejection was the source of much regret to him at the time, but seemed to cause him no apprehension as to his condition. In fact, in telling of his experience with the surgeons, who told him "his lungs were no larger than their fist and he could not run around the block," he said, in reply to the enquiry of a friend, that "he could run a mile."

When he left here for Chicago he had something like \$750.00 and there is no reason for believing he has spent any considerable portion of it. This circumstance leads his friends, without being in possession of all the facts, to wonder if it really was suicide and if instead he was murdered.

The family are greatly distressed and will be deeply sympathized with by all acquaintances and by the friends and acquaintances of the deceased's father, H. C. Cook, who was cashier of the bank from its establishment to his death.

AUTHOR COOK'S DEATH.

A Few Additional Particulars Learned.

Mrs. H. C. Cook went to Oswego yesterday, having received information that the body of her son Arthur, who was found dead early Sunday morning at Boise City, Idaho, would be forwarded there for burial as early as possible. Little information has been obtained since that contained in the first dispatch which was from the sheriff. The body was found in the foot-hills near a military encampment adjoining the city by some soldiers. The coroner's jury returned a verdict that death was caused by means to them unknown.

The Knights of Pythias and Odd Fellows have interested themselves in the arrangement of the details for sending the remains home, and it may be presumed they will satisfy themselves fully as to circumstances surrounding the young man's death, and advise the family.

It has been learned that no money or jewelry was found with the body, and the expenses of embalming and of a casket have been arranged by the family, Mr. William Cook, of Oswego, to whom the remains were ordered sent, having been communicated with by wire.

As stated at the outset, the theory of suicide is to a great extent discounted by the fact that Arthur had plenty of money. Tom Knight was at the same place in Chicago with him, and he says when he left there, only a couple of weeks or so before, he took a sum of money for expenses, as he said, and also had two diamond rings and his gold watch—a present from his father some ten years ago. Most of his money he placed in a bank at Chicago. The family have written to know if it is still there. Since he reached Boise City Mrs. Cook received a letter from her son saying that he had employment, at what he did not say, and got \$3 a day. His reason for giving up his place at Chicago was that he was required to be on duty from five o'clock in the evening until seven next morning and it was more than he could stand.

A telegram received yesterday from Lieut. Allen Cook, at Boston, expressed deepest sympathy with his distressed relatives here.

Mrs. Ingram and son Ben returned from Springfield yesterday and at once drove home to Keosau. Her niece, Miss Criswell, who went up with her, will not return, her school having closed permanently.

Robt. W. Craig, of Welch, aged 20, applied for a marriage license at the clerk's office yesterday, but unfortunately had failed to come around with the written consent of his mother and the matter had to be postponed.

Why the House Burned Down.

The Tishomingo Herald relates the following amusing incident: "A good story has just leaked out on the chief of the Ardmore fire department that would come well under the title of 'Why the House Burned Down.' Every body will consider it pretty good excepting the chief and the man who lost the house. Ardmore's water supply comes from wells, and there are several of them in different parts of the city which are called 'fire wells,' and they are small in circumference. The popping of pistols announced a fire in the city and the department turned out. The chief arrived at the well first, seized the ring in the iron cover, gave it the necessary 'yank' to remove it and—tumbled into the hole which his portly corpulence filled so snugly that no water could be had with which to quench the fire, and that's why the house burned down."

At Home on A Furlough.

James Price and D. M. Ingram, two Tahlequah soldier boys now stationed at San Diego, Cal., returned home this week on furlough. Both young men are in perfect health, are looking well and appear every inch the soldier. Mr. Price said to an Arrow reporter that he is perfectly satisfied with life at the barracks and will remain in the service until his term of enlistment expires—three years. That he and the other Tahlequah boys in the battery desired to see active service, and they may yet be sent to Cuba or the Philippines, but whether they are ordered to cross the pond or remain to do garrison duty at San Diego barracks, they will be satisfied, as life there is one prolonged dream and no complaint can be found with their army relations. Price and Ingram will remain here a short while before returning to San Diego.—Arrow.

Malt Tonic Case.

Two important cases of general interest to the people of Indian Territory will probably be decided at the January session of the Court of Appeals at South McAlester. One is the case of the U. S. vs. Louis Cohn, commonly known as the Malt Tonic case. Should Cohn win the case it will go a long way toward the final and complete victory for the liquor men in the Indian Territory. The liquor which Cohn is charged with selling is not regarded as intoxicating as it is said to contain less than 2 per cent. of alcohol, but the contention of the government is that it is illegal to sell malt liquors in the Indian Territory, whether they are intoxicating or not.—Wagoner Record.

Cherokee School Boards.

The Cherokee board of education will hold their regular meeting at Tahlequah the second week in January, beginning on Monday, January 9, for the purpose of examining teachers and making the appointments of the high schools and primary schools for the coming term. Teachers holding old certificates will remember that they are out of date.

Hogshooter Creek.

We need a postoffice very much.

Nathan Adams made a trip to Vinita Saturday, returning Monday.

Andy Miller is able to get around some now after a long spell of rheumatism.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Andy Miller, Dec. 27, a fine girl; mother and child doing well.

John Willey, Indian police, made a trip to the Osage nation with Charlie Rider on official business Thursday.

Two colored men were captured near this place by A. H. T. A. men two weeks ago; supposed to be robbers.

Mrs. Ellie Adams, who has been sick during the past week, is up and about business again. She has a very good trade in the new store.

E. M. Adams has opened up a grocery store and hopes very soon to get a postoffice, which will be called Lena. Also talk of a new school house and blacksmith shop.

Rock Creek Notes.

Did you turn over a new leaf? We are having spring weather. Did you swear off last Sunday? This was lovely Christmas weather. J. C. Dobbs had a dance last Wednesday.

Farmers are thinking of plowing for oats.

S. W. Dale was trading in Adair last Thursday.

Where will the Cherokees be this time next year?

Lige Morton and family are visiting on Grand river.

Gov. Bullock has sold his farm to a man from Chelsea.

Mrs. M. A. Walker, of Chelsea, was visiting her friends here Saturday.

Geo. Beckwell made himself a Christmas present of a new wagon last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Miller spent New Year's with their parents on Pryor Creek.

Chas. Webb lost his fine bird dog while hunting out here last Thursday; thinks he got hold of some poison.

Charley McCombs had another run away a few days ago, throwing all in the wagon out—his wife and child too.

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THE MASS MEETING.

Endorsements and Resolutions Passed Friday Night.

The teachers mass meeting last Friday night was an enthusiastic affair. A large number of the prominent citizens of this city were present and to some extent took part in the proceedings.

The resolutions passed carried with them several endorsements and embodied the sense of the meeting.

Judge Yancy Lewis, Mr. McMurray and others addressed the audience. The following are the resolutions and proceedings of the meeting:

Be it resolved, That this Territorial Teachers' Association of the Indian Territory records most emphatically its approbation and endorsement of the recommendations of the Dawes commission, the Indian inspector, the secretary of the interior, and the president of the United States with regard to the education of the citizens of the United States in this territory, and most earnestly hopes that congress will at once take such action as shall make the provisions recommended. This association, being largely made up of those who, through various voluntary agencies, have been attempting to meet the crying need in this direction, records its conviction that all such agencies together can do practically only an infinitesimal part of the work and that only governmental action is sufficient to cope with the need. This it feels should be given on account of the exceptional and urgent nature of the case. The thousands of children growing up in entire ignorance are a perennial source of supply for criminal classes, and growing up in the midst of the Indian population make the problem of fitting them for citizenship infinitely harder.

Be it further resolved, that this association pledges itself to support by all means in its power, efforts to bring about this result, and to that end directs that the president appoint a committee to confer with the Dawes commission, the Indian inspector and others interested as they, in behalf of the association may best aid in this work.

Committee, A. G. Evans, Muskogee; J. A. Lynn, McAlester; B. R. Morrison, Vinita; G. D. Turner, Vinita; E. H. Rishel, Atoka.

On motion President Caldwell was added to the committee.

On motion Judge Yancy Lewis was requested to co-operate with the above committee for the purpose of drawing up a memorial and formulating a bill to be presented to congress as embodying the needs of the territory in this direction. The motion was unanimously adopted.

The president also appointed a committee on literature and supplementary reading consisting of Prof. Amos, Mrs. Lincoln and Dr. Cockrill.—South McAlester Capital.

A Warm Dance.

The commissioner at Cameron reports five men under arrest for murder and four for assault to kill. A fracas occurred at a dance; Ben Brown was shot and killed, Albert Brown was stabbed and is not expected to live, Morris Brown was badly cut, and Dr. Poore and his two sons seriously wounded.

It is not improbable that the Department of Justice will instruct the District Attorney to commence prosecutions of all parties who were implicated in the passage of the bill by council making appropriations for the payments to certain negroes who claimed citizenship in the Cherokee tribe, of money in full of their rights. The law in question passed council in 1892 and carried an appropriation of \$400,000.00. Since its enactment it has transpired that a majority of the affidavits submitted in regard to the negro citizens claiming membership in the tribe were fraudulent. As a result the Department of Justice has decided to reopen the question and prosecute the guilty parties.—Washington correspondent, South McAlester Capital.

The proposition of the Cherokee commission to allot all the land equally and make up the difference in quality with cash, ought to be amended so as to allow every Cherokee citizen to keep all they have and get all they can before allotment. The good land has all been taken up and everybody except the fullbloods are pretty well fixed for land anyway. The scheme seems to be that the half breeds and whites are to have the good land and the fullbloods the cash. It is an interesting study in consummate selfishness to watch the movements of certain leaders in this business of treaty making.

The Muskogee Times says the report that there was smallpox in Muskogee is false.

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